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U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE DATA ON MEAT IMPORTS--September 1978

The following are U.S. Customs Service statistics that are being used during calendar year 1978 to monitor imports of meat subject to the Meat Import Law. These reports are issued on a monthly basis. Weekly totals for individual countries are available upon request from the Dairy, Livestock, and Poultry Division, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA, Washington, D.C. 20250.

U.S. Customs Service Monitorings of Meat Subject to Meat Import
Law 1/ September and January - September Comparisons, 1977 and 1978
(In 1,000 lb.)

Country of origin	September		January - September	
	1977	1978	1977	1978
Australia	76,456	83,048	480,728	593,800
Belize	--	10	38	60
Canada	3,502	2,900	67,660	42,660
Costa Rica	889	2,187	49,200	41,265
Dominican Republic	--	--	2,089	--
El Salvador	--	325	2,980	4,972
Guatemala	2,883	2,659	21,288	19,312
Haiti	84	254	1,224	1,645
Honduras	2,174	2,797	27,874	30,350
Mexico	2,747	3,674	38,395	44,187
New Zealand	24,494	29,262	211,206	228,260
Nicaragua	2,755	5,229	30,618	45,209
Panama	126	120	2,632	504
Iceland	--	--	69	--
Other	--	--	<u>2</u> / 1,310	--
Total <u>3</u> /	116,110	132,465	937,311	1,052,224

1/ Fresh, chilled, and frozen beef, veal, mutton and goat meat. Excluding canned meat and other prepared or preserved meat products.

2/ Reflects meat that entered Foreign Trade Zones, possessions or territories prior to January 1, 1977.

3/ May not add due to rounding.

SOURCE: U.S. Customs Service

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